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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on January 10, 2005 in connection with the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121(h), only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment, i.e., Amendments to the Claims, is being resubmitted. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a copy of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee(s) to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for such purpose.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.